~~dismal~~ disastrous length along
& left a memorable
record behind it —
three months & a half
with scarcely a ~~death~~ demise.

We got ready for
the summer trade. —
There came news ~~of~~ that the
cholera ~~in~~ had appeared
in the seaports, & for the
first time in months
we had an old-time ~~cheery~~
evening of innocent gaiety ~~that was full
of smiles & harmless
jesting~~ in place of
bowed heads & heavy
sighs. The disease
spread from village
to village, till it reached
within five miles of us
— then it split apart &
wandered far away on



either side, leavi
our town untou
~~"Good"~~ "It is very hard," ~~He~~ ~~will be~~
said Mr. Cadaver,
saw the tears tric
through his finger
he sat with his ha
clasped over his
rocking to & fro
~~agony~~. ~~anguish~~. softly

Once it had be
our happiness o
ful Sabbath after
to stroll to Joseph
yard & count the
mounds & talk of
prospects. ~~for~~
But this had long c
There were no new
any more; the ti
had grown old
all; there was no